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      : METHOD FOR LIGHT-METAL  
      : CASTINGS AND VEHICLE  
      : ALUMINUM WHEEL  
      : SURFACE-TREATED BY THE  
      : SAME METHOD



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In response to the Final Office Action dated February 24, 2003, Applicants provide the following Amendment and Remarks:

AMENDMENT

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1. (Twice Amended) A method for fabricating a light-metal casting, comprising the steps of:

casting a single piece light metal part by applying a casting pressure of more than about 50 megapascal from an ejection plunger to a molten metal of a light-metal material poured into a die, to form a casting having pinholes generated in a casting